[Mr. K. R. Elankath.]

C. I. D., sends it to the D. S. P. who goes to the spot and informs the Inspector that he has come for conducting the enquiry so that he may take the preliminary precaution, and then conducts the enquiry. The report is the result of such an enquiry.

President: I have indicated what my view is. If any honourable member, being compelled by a sense of responsibility, wants to put forward any such instance, I do not stand in the way. He is very well within his rights. The honourable member will proceed.

Mr. K. R. Elankath: Instead of imputing motives to members, I request that Government will, as far as possible, see that proper steps are taken. That is the primary duty of the Government. I do not see why the Commissioner.....

President: The honourable member may put any question if he wants.

Mr. K. R. Elankath: May I know from the Commissioner why he thought that the enquiry should be made through the D. S. P. instead of through the C. I. D.?

Rajyarakshapravina R. Pitchu Aiyangar: The D. S. P. is the very responsible officer in charge of the District administration. He is expected to know more about the officers under him than anybody else. If he is not reliable and honest, there is no use of having D. S. Ps. As long as we have a set of such officers I must rely upon their reports. That is the reason why I referred the matter to the D. S. P.

Mr. K. R. Elankath: Is it possible for the D. S. P. to do C. I. D. work so that actual cases of corruption can be found out?

Rajyarakshapravina R. Pitchu Aiyangar: Quite possible. He can do much more than what the C. I. D. can do. Every Police officer is a C. I. D. officer.

Mr. K. R. Elankath: So am I to understand that the C. I. D. is maintained without any specific purpose?

Rajyarakshapravina R. Pitchu Aiyangar: The C. I. D. officers are full-time officers. They are doing C. I. D. work alone but the Police Officers of the District are doing C. I. D. work plus other work.

Conversion of lands in the Vembanad reclamation area from the 12th to the 13th tharam.

76. **Mr. M K. Ananthasiva Aiyar** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state?

(*a*) the extent of the area in the Vembanad reclamations comprised in periods 1, 2 and 3 assessed at the 12th *tharam* and the 13th *tharam* respectively;

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(*b*) whether there have been representations by the owners of these areas of the 12th *tharam* for their conversion into the 13th *tharam* ;

(*c*) whether they have enquired if there is any difference in the yielding capacity of these lands assessed at different *tharams* ;

(*d*) what the difference in revenue will be if the lands at the 12th *tharam* are also assessed at the 13th *tharam* ?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 6,868·98 acres at the 12th *tharam* and 5,606·90 acres at the 13th *tharam*.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Government have, after due consideration of the question, finally resolved that the question of the revision of the *tharam* can be taken up only at the time of the next Settlement.

(*d*) Rs. 8,908-0-7.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know whether the Government are aware that the 12th *tharam* cannot bear the tax ?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar : Government are not aware.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know if the Government are aware that the owners of such lands are put to real hardship ?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar : May be.

Licences for collecting lime shells from Vembanad Lake.

77. **Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of licences for 1113 sanctioned to be issued for collecting lime shells from the Vembanad lake ;

(*b*) how many of such licences have been given to the people of Kumarakam both individually and to the Lime Shell Industrial Co-operative Society there ;

(*c*) whether the Co operative Society has paid up the whole of the fees for the licences that have been allowed to be granted to them ; and

(*d*) whether they have received any representations from the people of Kainakari, Chennamkari, Kuttamangalam and other places about the hardships that they are put to on account of licences for collecting lime shells not being granted to them ?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar (*Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*) : (*a*) 180 from the Thanneermukkam section.

(*b*) 45 and 75, respectively.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes. Government have also sanctioned 50 licences being issued to the Kuttanad Labour Association, Kainakari.

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